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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1907.

It is idle to talk about luck, fortune or fate; these words survive from the childhood of the race; they have historical interest, but they have no moral value to-day. No one can hide behind them or bring them into court as competent witnesses on his behalf, it is wise to face the uitlmate truth which must sooner or later confront us: we make or mar ourselves, and are the masters of our own fates and fortunes, —Hamilton W. Mable.

#### Start Right.

If the advocates of a municipal elece plant had taken the advice of The Firmes-Dispatch, they would have saved themselves much unnecessary exertion plan was good, but the Passenger and patch urged the Council to accept that ft of it which provided for an inht a been in position to decide intelligedtly whether it would be better to erect a plant or accept the offer of the Passenger and Power Company to furnish electricity at a, price as low as the city could make it at its own plant. But the advocates of a municipal plant would not listen to compromise. They tabled Company and determined to push their own measure through without giving whatever, As a consequence their purpose was to build another municitoo, that some of those who were most of a municipal electric plant were leaders in the movement to increase sal-

defeated, let the Council now start the Passenger and Power Company's proposal to investigate. Find out prehold the Inssenger and Power Comto purchase electrical power at the ascertained by the experts.

pany will not stand by its offer: if it tries to dodge, dicker, delay, or back nal plant. It is a business proposition. as we can make it, what's the sens in erecting a plant? If we can make it considerably cheaper than we can buy it, the argument in favor of city plant is sound.

## Change of View.

Close readers of newspapers wil note a modification of the feeling of hostility towards the railroads. Discussion has brought light, and the people and their representatives in legislative bodies are beginning to see that is would be suicidal to pursue a policy t the railroads that would impair their usefulness.

Senator Buxton, of the North Carolina Legislature, recently stated that while several extreme measures has been introduced in that body, no harsh or unreasonable bills would be passed

More recently a bill before the South Carolina Legislature reducing passenger rates on railroads to two and half cents a mile was killed in the Senate by a vote of twenty-five to

A bill is now pending before the Pennsylvania Legislature fixing a maximum rate of two cents a mile for passenger traffic, but the Philadelphia Ledger, one of the most conservative newspapers in the State, is opposing the bill on the ground that it would be against the interest of the traveling public. The Ledger quotes President Baer, of the Reading Road, as having said that the passenger business is. on the whole, already conducted at lower rate than two cents a mile, Of the total passenger receipts, 65 per cent, is from tickets sold either at two of under two cents a mile, and

from passengers who pay less than

two cents a mile. Of the actual trav-

elers, 10 per cent, ride at the rate of two cents a mile and 73 per cent, at a lower rate than two cents a mile,

while only 17 per cent, of those who have traveled during the period referred to paid more than two cents a mile.

Couldn't stand it more than three speaking, he is the TROJAN."

We believe that thousands of Demoa mile.

In other words, says our contemporary, the rate for excursion tickets is already about two cents a mile, and the rate for commutation and suburban tickets generally much lower. The Ledger then asks if any one in Phil-Every sensible man knows, says our contemporary, in conclusion, that if the railroad passenger traffic is now conducted practically at a loss, the sated for in some fashion.

It is probable that nine-tenths our readers would say at a rough body. In point of fact, such a rate travelers. For example, there are many and do business in this city. They go back and forth every day, but some as much as two cents a mile. In most cases of this sort the rate is very much less. The distance between Rich mond and Petersburg is twenty-three be purchased for \$27, which is not much more than one cent a mile. The distance between Richmond and Beav er Dam is forty miles, yet twentytween these points for \$11. If seventytwo round-trip tickets are purchased, the rate is reduced to less than a cent a mile.

The Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomae sells a fifty-trip family ticket between Ashland and Richmond for \$10, which is a fraction over one cent a mile. It sells an annual ticket between Richmond and Ashland for \$50. This entitles the holder to ride between these two noints less than half a cent a mile.

It does not follow that a maximum offer was better. As soon as two-cent rate in Virginia would mean that these commutation tickets would be withdrawn. We are assured that in hope of reaching an agreement with the A Pillar. part of it which provided for an investigation by three disinferested expecting and operating that fifthe railrends of Nysylate characteristics. The part of it which provided for an investigation by three disinferested expectation by three disinferested expectations are interesting, as showing that the provided for an investigation by three disinferested expectations and an operating that fifthe railrends of Nysylate characteristics. In the meantime a valentime to the provided for an investigation by three disinferested expectations and all the provided for an investigation by three disinferested expectations and all the provided for an investigation by three disinferested expectations and all the provided for an investigation by three disinferested expectations are interesting, as showing the provided for an investigation by three disinferested expectations are interesting, as showing the provided for an investigation by three disinferested expectations are interesting, as showing the provided for an investigation by three disinferested expectations are interesting, as showing the provided for an investigation by three disinferested expectations are interesting as showing the provided for an investigation by three disinferested expectations are interesting as showing the provided for an investigation by three disinferested expectations are interesting as a special provided to refer the whole subject—basket and all—to The literature and all—to The provided for some cases, at least, they would not the cost of erecting and operating that if the railroads of Virginia should establish an invariable rate of two cents a mile for all classes of travel, there would be a great deal of hard

There are two sides to every question-even a railroad question.

#### The Press and the Negro.

Eisewhere we publish a communication from Rev. Z. D. Lewis, colored, paster of the Second Baptist Church, in which he speaks kindly of an article which recently appeared in The Times-Dispatch. Our article was based on the funeral of a respected colored woman, which took place Sunday morning and was at-We are glad that our correspondent agrees with The Times-Dispatch that it was a valuable object lesson. We are also glad that he agrees with us in saying that the good negroes do not problem, and they hurt the black race more than they hurt the white race. Our correspondent is quite right in saycaps to the progress of the negro race, and it is the part of wisdom for the genteel blacks to reduce that class to the minimum.

our correspondent can point to no article in the columns of this paper that will toward the negro race, He point to no expression meant to discourage the negro who desires to be good and progressive. We have been frank. We have treated the situation as it is. We have not held out false even after giving away \$32,000,000, Mr. hopes to the black man. But we have insisted that the negro children be educated at the public expense; we have urged that the negro be protected in all his lawful rights; we have said time and again that there is a place here for the good negro, and that every negro will

have all the respect he deserves. We have seen no reason to change that view. We are not afraid of the good negro, no matter how well edu-cated, how rich and prosperous he may be. We insist that the good negroes do Chancellor. good negro, no matter how well edube. We insist that the good negroes do not make a race problem; we feel sure that they never will.

#### Bryan or Bust.

Some of our Democratic contemporaries seem to accept it as a foregone conclusion that we shall have Bryan and defeat again in 1908. The Fredericksburg Star says:

"Savoyard, one of the keenest observers of political events in the country and a writer of note, draws a striking word picture of what Bryanism has done for the Democratic party in the last fourteen years. If William Jennings Bryan had done in that time for Democracy what Napoteon Benaparte did for France, even had the end been as disastrous as Waterloo, the giories of the past would have been compensation for the bitterness of the end, but Bryan has been a leader whose generalship has never spelled but one word and that word—defect, it the has never shown any capacity to win a buttle and he fails to improve in spite of experience."

"The Democratic party is going to repeat its mistakes, and Bryan will again in 1908 be the generalissimo What will follow?"

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following from a Durham (N. C.) cor-

"We have a paper in this hustling town called the Morning Herald. The editor writes paragraphs that are centre shots ringing the bell every time. Here is one in to-day's paper; "It seems to be pretty certain that Mr. Bryan will be the candidate, and it is also just about as certain that this will be the end of the party."

crats in both Virginia and North Carolina hold the same view; yet if you talk of another candidate they say, "What's the use? Bryan's going to be nominated. The thing has been settled, and to bring out another can didate is only to lead a lamb to the sacrifice."

It is a peculiar situation.

#### New York and the Torrens System.

A bill has been introduced in the New York Legislature to secure the adoption of the Torrens land registry system in that State. The Now York Times is supporting the bill, and in the course of an editorial article on the subject, says:
"The benefit lies in the finality of the
certificate. The dapper lies in the pos-

certificate. The danger lies in the possible failure to ascertain and settle all claims, but this in practice is found not to be serious, and the inconvenience arising from it is to be welghed against the very great utility of an undisputed, indisputable, registered and certified title. Practically under this system the State undertakes to make somewhat the same inquiry as is now made by the title guarantee companies, the result of which the latter do not hesitate to insure for an adequate premium. In the proposed law a payment of one-tenth of 1 per cent. on the value of the property involved is the charge corresponding to this premium. te. The danger lies in the

"There is hardly room for difference of opinion as to the great value of the objects sought by this system. Undoubterfly the details of the bill should very arefully be considered, but that is be carefully be considered, but that is bound to be done. A workable plan for putting the titles to real estate on practically the same footing as securities would be very desirable to all classes, and most of all to the owners of small homes, whose number cannot be too great."

the Torrens system it is not adopted.

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The Norfolk Landmark is the most provokingest paper—as Shakespeare would say We did not say "once correct alas often as he likes, If the holder of ways correct." Times change and mode such a ticket rides back and forth of speech changes with them. But if a noun now in general use was once used "collective in the singular," not straining a point to say that it is allowable to use it "collective in the singular", now. However, we have no

> considerable portion of India's 200,-A considerable portion of India's 300,000,000 people, says the Sacramento Union, work for an average annual wage of \$18.66. But the law of compensation also works in India. Propably the automobile mortality rate is absurdly low over there.

According to the Washington Her-ald, "a forked streak of presidential lightning is now playing about the head of Senator Knox." In a case of this sort, the alert Mr. Fairbanks can safely be relied upon to perform the duties of a lightning-rod.

White deer are quite common in the West Branch Valley of Pennsylvania. This would be an ideal sporting-ground for Senator Tillman, inasmuch as he would hardly care to be found liunting for the black ones.

Dr. B. D. Evans asserts positively saying that the good negroes do not make the race problem in the South. The bad negroes, and they only, make the problem, and they hart the black race problem, and they hart the black race.

It is reported that Lawyer Delmas Our correspondent is quite right in say-ing that the drunken, shiftless, criminal class of blacks are as so many handi-cans to the progress of the progress sary for him ever to try another one.

The New York Post editorially refers to "our immutable climate." They may have that kind in New York, but down here we have a brand which can mute like anything while you look at it.

The Japanese problem is now lleved to be near adjustment. Captain Hobson, however, stands sternly aloof, haughtily refusing to don his wire mask and chest-protector.

the life insurance premiums. A West Virginia legislator has in-

troduced a bill requiring that all na-tural gas be kept in the State. Congress please note

The alientsis have discovered evidences of a depression in Harry Thaw's head. There is doubtless a good-sized one in his heart, also.

Three New Yorkers met violent deaths in the Lenox Library on Thursday, Ah, there, Hall Caine!

The Ohio State Journal has an article on "The Poetry of Hash." Some one will be setting prunes to music next, The fight of the British women suf-fragists has now reached the scream, pinch, and hat-pin stage.

"Boware of blended whiskeys," says or. Wiley. Well, here's looking at 'em,

If it be true, as reported, that President Castro is "doing well," we merely remark that it is the first time.

Something is badly wrong down leorgia way. All week the peach Georgia way. All week crop has not been killed. Senator Bailey knows no convincing

reason why he should not organize a little Ananias Club of his own. The steamship lines have no block system, but diey seem to accomplish the same results in another way.

#### Romance of the Cigar.

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"If docs look as though the solvnel" and enjoy them.—Topeka State Journal.

Which Shall Be First?

Milen Shall be first.

So You would name for the honored place
On the Dead Men's Gallery shelves
The many who make in the hot, mad race
The utternest out of themselves?

Well, once on a day my lamp has thared

flared
And dimly let me see:
And I dip my flag to the few who've cared
To make the most out of Me.

Shouldn't I hold one now long gone Far, far beyond the rest, Because of the ways in her brief sweet

Because of the ways in her sheet sweet days
She held me to my best?
Shouldn't I-love the Self forgot,
When my lamp flares up to see?
Care most for the heart who makes its part
To make the most out of Me?

I think it is naught that a man has

wrought
To power and fame and pelf.
How can his reward pass this, O Lord:
That he made the most of himself?
So may the great prize, wherever it lies,
Be theirs who won to see
That a soul's fire-test is to bring the best
Out of some one clse, like Me.
H. S. H. H. S. H.

MERELY JOKING.

Knicker—Is this an unusual winter? Bocker—It must be; all the winters that were Just like this were more so.—New York Sun.

He—Phrenologists locate benevolence ex-actly at the top of the head. She—Pos; as far from the pocketbook as possible.—Judge.

"Hang it!" growled young Lovett to the girl of his heart, "it makes me mad every time I think of that \$10 I lost lo-day. I certainly feel as if I'd like to have someholy, lick me."

The Only Apprehension.

"Do you object to the herease of pay for your member of Congress?"
"No." answered Farmer Continessel; "not unless he gets to thinkin' he ought to make more speeches so's to earn the money,"—Washington Star.

The Lesser Responsibility.

Once Gladys—I am going to buy an automeit is bile, and I want you to go along and help
it is me select one. Not for me, little girl, Why,
n the I even wouldn't pick you out a husband,—

COMMENT OF VIRGINIA EDITORS.

The Cottonwood Crusade.

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Success to the war that is being waged on cottonwood trees in Elchmond, Nerfolk and other places. Besides the injurious effoct.

If the cotton trees in the control of their roots, the tree is not desirable for purposes of shade. It is one of the latest of trees to put forth foliage, it is sheds its leaves pretty nearly the entire summer season, and it is bare long before the hot weather is gone. It is very brittle and cassify the control of t

Out of His Own Mouth.

There is no use in investigating State Librarian Kennady any more; there is no need for further details; there is no causa

Mr. Kennedy's Ability.

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That the facts developed in evidence before the legislative committee has raised grave doubts concerning the wisdom and merit of Mr. Kennedy's polley in purchasing books for the State, is a conclusion that cannot be questioned; and upon the surface those doubts are of such a nature that they must be absolutely dispelled ere it can be said that the present Librarian can proceed is the satisfactory discharge of his duty. A prime prerequisite in his case is the possession of the public's confidence, and the carnest co-operation and good will of his subordinates—action of the will be subordinates—action of the public's confidence.

An Estimate of Roosevelt.

of papers which looks upon Mr. Roosevelt as spurpartionally honest, nor as incomparably patriotic. It credits him with those qualities in about the same proportion in which they appearant to the average of the better class of American citizens. It estimates his proficiency as a politician to be far higher than his ability as a stateman, and thinks his promises of reform bear the relation to the amount of fulfilment that the voice of a builfrog bears to his size.—Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.

Legislators and Legislation.

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The State of Indiana, with a record of about one hundred thousand divorces in twenty years, new proposes to tax all bachelors in the State with the indirect object of compelling matrimonial alliances.

This is in keeping with a lot of other slily legislation regularly foisted upon this or that State by a body of so-called legislators, who think when they are sent to the Legislatiors, who think when they are sent to the Legislatior they must do something to earn their money, even to the disregard of sense or reason.—Roanoke Times.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Printed musical notes were first used in The cost of living is still increasing in German cities at an alarming rate. New South Wales paid \$3,500,000 in four years in bountles for rabbits.

Alaska has thirteen newspapers, Arizona sixty-three, New York the largest number-1,937.

The average daily transactions of the New York Clearing House make a grant total of \$55,071,688.

In 1812 people died of the plague at Contantinople at the rate of over 11,000 uccek. In all, 144,000 perished. week. In all, 144,000 perished.

Canada is as large as thirty United Kingdoms. She has received over half a million immigrants in ten years.

The Salvation Army is established in fifty-two countries and colonies, and preaches the gospel in thirty-one languages.

Zola derived his name from Zolla, which means a clod of earth, and he was proud of this derivation.

Though Steamer Parkers and Silvation.

of this derivation.

Though Spooner, Poraker and Tillman throw Javelins at one another in the Senate chamber, they are chummy on the outside, and fond of exchanging stories.

Mrs. Hawfa Williams, who accompanies Countees Varmouth to this country, is considered by King Edward to be the best-dressed woman in England.

Leroy Hillman, of Labanagelis, twenty.

# in Public Places

General Scott Shipp, of Lexington, super-intendent of the Virginia Military Institute, is one of the distinguished visitors who is in the city. General Shipp arrived last night from Washington, where he went on busi-ness connected with the institute, and will remain here for a few days to look after some further matters along the same line. It is stopping at Murphy's, and chatted pleasanity with a representative of The Times-Dispatch, who called upon him in his room.

Times Dispaten, who cannot upon the room.

"We are getting along very nicely at the institute," he said. "The boys are doing well and are giving the management no trouble. We are pushing our new buildings, and I am here now to look after some matters relating to theem. I shall have to remain for a few days, as besides looking after some business affairs I must pay visits to two of my old war courades at the Soldiers' Home, whom I have not seen in a long while."

Soldiers frome, when a man long while," in the spirits and is looking remarkably robust and well. He was warmly greeted by friends in the hotel lobby whenever he made his appearance than Mr. Joseph W. Chinn, Jr., of Warsaw, is

Mr. Joseph W. Chinn, Jr., of Warsaw, is in Richmond attending to some private affairs. Mr. Chinn is being urged by his friends to enter the race for circuit Judge in the Twelfth Circuit before the next Legislature. The circuit is composed of the counties of Richmond, Northumberland, Westmoreland, Lancaster and Essex, and is presided over at present by Judge T. R. B. Wright, of the latter, Judge Wright will, it is understood, stand for re-election. Mr. Chinn is regarded as one of the ablest lawyers in the Northern Neck. He was asked in the Northern Neck. He was asked in the Northern Neck. He was asked in the Northern Neck. He was so did is the first of the standard of the said it was too early to give the matter much consideration. He appreciated the kindness of his friends in mentioning him in connection with the honor, but he really could not say at this time whether or not he would be a candidate.

Hon. A. A. Campbell, of Wytheville, is in the city on legal business.

Hon, S. B. Barham, Jr., member of the House of Delegates from Prince George and Surry, is in the city on private business. Mr. Barham says that he expects to be a candidate for re-election this fail, and that so far as he is at present advised he has a constant of the control of the control

o opposition.

"The election is some time off, however,"
is said, "and the matter has not been disussed to any great extent up to this time." Hon. Bland Massey, of Nelson, former Sonator from the Ninteenth District and a member of the State Board of Fisheries, is at Murphy's on his way to a meeting of the board in Norfolk to-day.

"Everything is quiet in Nelson," he said, when seen last night. "Most of the people have filled their ice-houses, we having had a number of fine freezes." Hon, Joseph Stebbins, Jr., Mayor of South Boston, Va., is in the city. The friends of Mayor Stebbins are asking him to enter the race for a seat in the House from Halifax county next fall, but he has not decided the matter.

Major J. N. Stubbs, of Gloucester, is at Murphy's. It is said that Major Stubbs will come back to the House next year after an absence of one term. Taking all his terms in both houses together Major Stubbs has already served nearly twenty-five years in the Legislature.

Messrs. W. D. Cox, J. A. Dodson and F. B. Baldwin, of Portsmouth, are registered at the Richmond

## AMUSEMENTS.

Academy of Music-"The Rogers Brothers in Ireland."

Bljou Theatro—"Lena Rivers,"

Bostock's—Wild Animal Show.
Idlewood—Skating Rink,

At the Academy.

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"The Regers Brothers in Ireland," one of the greatest of the musical comedies of the present day, after having achieved a run of 30 performances in New York and more than half as long in Philadelphia, will be seen at the Academy tonight. Gus and Max Rosers, who are at the head of the big company, are comedians of infinite resources and great experience. They are genuinely funny, apparently because they cannot help being so. The comedy is said to be all life and action, vivacity and melody. The fun is constant and the songs are of the most attractive variety. It is a promise that the complete original production and the original ideal cast will be presented.

"The demand for "The Clansman" has

The demand for "The Clansman" has become so great that no less than three companies have been organized to fill it. Managers all over the country are bidding for the attraction; the "time" already offered would suffice for a ten-years' continuous run. The Academy has succeeded in obtaining the original production and company for a return engagement next Friday and Saturday. There will be a matinee each day.

The remarkable play, "The Squaw Man," which will be seen for the first time at the Academy on next Monday, matinee and night, is equipped with a notable cast, comprising such preeminently excellent players at Henry Jewett, Brandon Hurst, J. H. Colville, John Harrington, Ldith Cartwright, Minnie Victorson, Virginia Buchanan, Logan Paul and A. W. Ellis.

One of the interesting and auspi-

Cone of the interesting and auspi-cious bookings for the Academy in the very near future is the forthcom-ing production of Justin Huntly Me-Carthy's stirring romantic play, "If I Were King," which will shortly be of-Were King, which will shortly be of-fered for a very brief engagement in this city. The star of the piece is Les-ter Lonergan, who has achieved an un-doubted and pronounced success in the role created by E. H. Sothern.

At the Bijou.

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Mr. P. Aug. Anderson, in "The Curse of Drink," Charles E. Blaney's temporance play, will be seen at the Bijou next week. There are many new and original features and incidents, and some of the pictures are really notable. As is always the case with a Blaney production, the scenic effects play a most important part. Included in the play is a railroad scene, which shows a locemotive at full speed. In this scene a young fireman saves his sweetheart from being ground to death beneath the wheels of an engine which is being driven by her father. The different scenes of "The Curse of Drink" are laid in the effice of a railroad prosident, in a "Barrel House," in a railroad, and in the home of Bil Sanford. The scenic investiture is a very handsome one, and included in the company are such artists as P. Aug. mpany are such artists as P. company are such artists as F. Aug. Anderson, Will W. Crimans, Harry Winnieth, Will Clifton, Thomas Mc-Kenna, George W. Kerr, Henry P. Nelson, Carl Gath, W. C. McKenna, Tommy Herriek, James H. Kerr, Mildred Hyland, Erma Gath, Baby Minorva, and the Electric Comedy Four.

Lively Times at Bostock's. Goldie and Doc, the man-eating tiger and the good-natured bear, are the big drawing earls this week in Bostock's Wild Animal Arena. They are very different types of animals, yet each

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Bears the Chart Hatcher.

is interesting, entertaining or amusing in its own natural way, Goldie fights at overyone and everything from the time he leaves his den until he is returned. Not an act does he go through without putting up fleres resistance, and the way his trainer, Joyat, exposes himself and openly defies this tiger is enough to make any timid person tremble with fear for the daring trainer.

Doe is probably far more powerful than the tiger, and at all times is in a far better humor. He seems to take delight in getting into mischief and tempting the flere attacks of the tiger, and one witnessing Joyat's exhibit will soon see that the bear owes his life many times to his trainer, who steps between when the tiger would rip Doe with his sharp claws.

Gaillard and his three troublesome llons, Baltimore, Denver and Caesar, are always intensely interesting, and at times decidedly exciting. As he sits astride one of the maneless llons galliard presents the picture of reckless disregard of personal safety. Yet he is at all times alert, and carefully

lard presents the picture of reckless disregard of personal safety. Yet he is at all times alert, and carefully counts the risk he is running.

Consul is adding new friends to his visiting list daily, and LA Belle Aurora in her electrical dance among the liens is winning additional applause for her grace and daring. Fatms, the wrestling and dancing bear, recome to have got the large of threwseems to have got the hang of throw-ing his trainer regularly and usually wins two out of every three falls.

The Real Race Question.

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Editor of the Times-Dispatch:

Sir,—Your editorial, "An Object Lesson," of the 12th instant, in which you noted the tender and loving tributes paid by your own people to the commendable qualities of a member, of my race, impressed me most deeply, and cannot fail to exert a helpful influence over a large circle of the colored citizens of this community.

Your most timely utterances, and the praiseworthy deeds that inspired them, will go far toward encouraging the belter element of our race to greater endeavors and nobler efforts—to so improve their condition by politicness, faithfulness, thrift and industry that, instead of the few, there shall be thousands who will fit with easy grace into that niche of citizenship desired by you and the other good people of this great commonwealth.

And, on the other hand, we venture to say that many of the Ignorant, drunken, shitless class, whose deeds of crime are as offensive to us as they can possibly be to your people, and which prove as weights to our racial progress, upon reading your remarks, will come to the conclusion that "it pays to be good," and thus seek to reform themselves and join the great numbers who are making substantial progress along those lines that make an intelligent, respectable, industrious and happy people.

While the low and criminal negro is annoying to our which the great and from which we long to be delivered, for, on his account, many a privilege is denied us and many a door is alosed against us. He it is who constitutes the "race problem," as you have wisely said, who embitters the waters of peace between the races, and seems to be hatching new evils every low, But, despite this and all the acrimonious criticisms alleged against the race, there are some elements of good in "all of us that can be appealed to, and we confidently believe that more race, there are some elements of good in all of us that can be appealed to, und we confidently believe that more riendly pats and fewer kicks will bring

and we confidently believe that more friendly pais and fewer kicks will bring it out.

Conformity to that principle enunciated by the Apostie to the Gentiles, and exemplified in the Christ—"The strong should bear the infirmities of the weak"—will contribute much to the happiness and well-being of the people in bome, church and State. Now, If our struggling people can get the influence of the white press—that marvelous engine of power for weal or woe—in our favor, praising and encouraging our favor, praising and encouraging our good and boquesty, condemning our bad when necessary, as you have done from time to time, the day is not far when we, despite all opposing circumstances, shall reach the goal of an easy, friendly relation with the white people of our much-favored Southland, among whom we found our cradica and hope to find our graves.

Let me thank you for your very helpful remarks, and beg to assure you of our co-operation in the betterment of this community, so far as our influence goes among our people.

Pastor Second Baptist Church.

## KILLED VIRGINIAN,

Shot Barkeeper and in Turn is Slain by Saloonman's Brother.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

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OSBORN .. GAP, VA., February 14.— OSBORN - GAP, VA., February 14.—
Gitt Branham, a young man from this place, was recently killed in a saloon in fronton. O, according to a report just received here. Young Branham shot the bartender in a dispute, when the brother of the saloonman, seeing the fate of his kinsman, fired the fatal shot at Branham. His clothes and other effects have been sent to his mother. Branham effected his escape from the county jail at Wise about a year ago, where he was a waiting trial upon the charge of breaking into a storehouse at Glamorgan and taking some goods and money.

ard money,
The little eight-year-old daughter of
James Honaker died of diptheria. This
makes the second death from the same
cause in Mr. Honaker's family within
the past week.

SAILORS FIGHT. One Negro Kills Another on

One Negro Kills Another on Chickahominy with Crowbar.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

WILLIAMSBURG, VA., February 14.

—A strange negro was brought here this evening and placed in the city jeil to await the action of the grand jury on a charge of murder. The man was a sallor off of a vossel loading at Richardson's brickyards, on the Chickahominy River, about fifteen miles from here. The negro was engaged in an alterention with another negro on the same vossel, when he picked up a crowbar, and hitting the other negro on the head, crushed his skull completely. After this he gave the negro several blows while lying on the ground, any one of which was sufficient to insure death. This is the second murder that has occurred among the negroes of James City county within the past month, and two men charged with murder are now lodged in the city jail here awaiting trial.

### WILL GO ABROAD.

Judge Horsley Sick and Will Take Ocean Trip.

Take Ocean Trip.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

LYNCHBURG. VA. February 14.—

Judgy John F. Housley will leave this
afternoon for New York City, from
whence he will sail on Saturday on the
White Star liner Cedric for a trip
to Gibraltar and Napaes and other
Mediterranean Sea points of interest.

Judge Horsley makes this trip at the
behest of his physicians, who are hoperal that his health will be greatly
benefited by it. He will be absent from
the city for a month or more.

He will be accompanied to New York
by his nephew. Mr. John Easley, where
they will be met by Mr. Horsley Easley,
and then it will be decided which of
these gentlemen will accompany their
uncle on the trip.

Inquiry at Judge Horsley's residence
to-day developed the fact that he was
better, his condition being much more
hopeful than it was a week age.

#### STORMY WEATHER.

Three-Masted Vessel Comes Into

Port with Sails Torn,
NORFOLK, VA., February 14.—The
three-masted schooner Robert C. Mcguillen, bound from Port-Reading to
Jecksonville, Fla., coal laden, put in
here to-day for harbor, after inving
had a severe experience in stormy
weather on her way down the coast,
lier sails are tern, and she will repail,
generally before proceeding south.

# SUIT ON TRIAL

Miss Kate W. Beasley Seeking to Recover Damages from . Passengar and Power Company.

THE DIX INDUSTRIAL FARM

One Hundred Additional Acres Purchased-Wedding in Petersburg, Not in Washington.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch,]
PETERSBURG, VA., February 14.—The
\$10,000 damage suit of Miss Kate W. Beasley against the receivers of the Virginla Passenger and Power Company was called for trial in the Hustings Court to-day, and will probably be given to the jury to-morrow afternoon. Miss Beasley sues for injuries received by being thrown to the street while alighting from an electric car in this city in October, 1905. All evidence for the plaintiff was-heard to-day, but evidence for the defendants was not completed. McIlwaine and Plumner are counsel for the plaintiff and R. H. Mann represents the Passenger and Power Company.

Organize B'nai B'rith.

The orthodox Jews of the city organized the Petersburg Lodge, Independent Order of B'nai B'rith, at their synagogue here last night. The ceremonies of institution were conducted by District Vice-President Henry Hutzler, of Richmond, assisted by District Secretary Joseph Levy, of Richmond, and Rev. Dr. Meyerberg, of Goldsboro, N. C., district monitor. The following officers for the current year were elected: President, M. Levy; Vice-President, Moses Lavenstein; Secretary, James Baurberg; Treasurer, S. Levitt; Monitor, David Gellman, Inside Guard, Abraham Levy; Outside Guard, S. Schochet; Trustees, Sol Cooper, Jacob Levinson and Max Levinson.

Increase Size of Farm. Organize B'nai B'rith.

Increase Size of Farm. Increase Size of Farm.

One hundred acres of land has been added to the farm of the John A. Dix Industrial School, in Dinwiddle county, and plans are being made for farm demonstration work under the direction of the United States Department of Agriculture. This colored school, which is supported by Mr. Alexander Van Rensselaer, of Philadelphia, has now between 200 and 300 numils of both sees. the largest number in its history. The school buildings are located about a mile from Dinwiddie Courthouse, within sight of the birthplace of General Winfield Scott, and are supply equipped for instruction in all kinds of Industrial work. It is under the control and direction of Mr. Van Rensselaer and a board of directors. the largest number in its history.

Valentine Tea. A beautiful "valentine tca" was given this evening in the lecture-room of the West End Baptist Church by the Young

West End Baptist Church by the Young Ladies' Missionary Society.
Naomi Lodge, No. 30, Knights of Pythlas, gave a smoker to-night, with work in the first degree.
The wedding of Miss Sadle Edna Winston to Mr. George Ashby Lanier took place at the rectory of Grace Episcopal Church, in this city, and not in Washington, as was erroneously reported. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. C. Braxton Bryan, rector of Grace Church. Mr. and Mrs. Lanier went North on their bridal tour.

BOY'S MANGLED BODY. Lad Falls Under Wheels and is

Lad Falls Under Wheels and is

Instantly Killed.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

CLIFTON FORGE, VA., #ebruary 1...

The mangled body of Ceel Haislip, aged fourteen years, was found on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad between this city and Iron Gate at an early hour this morning. The only theory advanced for the death of the boy is that he was riding on a moving train, and fell under the wheels. His body was cut into several pieces, Deceased was the son of W. H. Haislip, who holds a responsible position with the Chesapeake and Ohio at this place. B. L. Dodd, of Iron Gate, stumbled over the body while en route to this city.

NEW POST-OFFICE.

Government Decides on Desirable

Site for Federal Building. Special to The Times Dispatch. J CLIFTON FORGE, VA., February 14.— The United States Treasury Department has agreed to accept the lot at the corner of Church and Commercial Streets for the location of the new post-office building in this city. This location office building in this city. This location is only one square from the main business section of the city. The lot is the property of Mr. J. C. Carpenter, and it is understood the price paid was only a fair one considering the value of real

estate here.

KEGS POWDER EXPLODE. Miner Tries to Open One with

Pick-Spark Explodes It. Pick—Spark Explodes II.

BI UEFIELD, W. VA. February 14.—
As a result of an explosion of two kegs
of powder at Vivian, Frank Fisher and
John Raditsky and Carl Baurer are now
in the Miners' Hospital, at Welch, suffering with serious if not fatal injury. Carl
Baurer attempted to open a keg of powder with a mine pick, when a spark
caused by friction ignited the powder,
which caused a second keg to explode,
the house where the powder was being
opened was torn, into pieces.

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